

Economic Analysis Support Services

A. Introduction

The Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) is a United States government-owned corporation responsible for the stewardship of the Millennium Challenge Account (MCA). MCC works with developing countries to promote sustainable economic growth to reduce poverty. As part of the due diligence of each country's proposal, as well as for re-scoping of a Compact or as part of a funding reallocation, MCC conducts cost-benefit analysis to assess the proposed projects' likely economic impact and cost-effectiveness and estimate the share of the population who may benefit from the program. After a Compact is signed, the Department of Compact Implementation focusing on results during implementation is responsible among other things to monitor the economic impact of Compact interventions on household income and poverty reduction.

B. Scope of Work

The Monitoring, Evaluation, and Economics Group of the MCC's Department of Compact Implementation is seeking one or more consultants to assist in a number of economic analysis tasks related in particular to reviewing and documenting the beneficiary analysis of Compact countries, assisting with cost-benefit analysis updating and responding to country or sector specific economic analysis needs.

C. Tasks

Duties will include (but are not limited to):

- Review and update, as needed, beneficiary analysis and existing Economic Rate of Return (ERR) models for Compact countries
- Research current issues that can have an economic impact on MCC countries or sectors of intervention; prepare written documentation as needed.
- Conduct research and analysis in support of activities within the Department; prepare written documentation as needed.
- Provide technical assistance in data collection and analysis efforts, including survey methodology, sampling, dataset cleaning and analysis
- Develop other related materials, including fact sheets, guides for use of spreadsheets, and other public communication tools

D. Period and Place of Performance

The consultancy will be for a period of 12 months. The consultant will be based in the MCC's Washington, D.C. offices, and contract administration will be performed by a third party to be determined by the MCC.

E. Evaluation Criteria

1. Technical Capability

- Minimum graduate degree in economics or closely related fields that have a high component of quantitative analysis
- Demonstrated interest in international development issues; experience in a less developed country desirable
- Understanding of cost-benefit analysis
- Experience with Microsoft Excel, including macro capabilities
- Knowledge of Stata, particularly survey analysis tools
- Excellent written and oral communication skills, including document editing and layout design
- Ability to work affectively under tight deadlines with, at times, minimal oversight.

2. Billing Rates

F. How to Apply

Interested parties should submit by memailto:recruitment@mcc.gov the following package: 1) Curriculum Vitae, 2) a brief cover letter that addresses the evaluation criteria and provides three professional, and 3) Salary history with proposed hourly rate. Please include "Econ Support" in the subject line of your email.

This announcement will remain open until filled.